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For: HAND LEVER FOR A BINDING MACHINE

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Responsive to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers (Filing Date Granted) mailed in the above-identified Patent application on June 22, 2004, Applicant herewith submits a substitute specification and replacement drawings. The specification has been amended to include an Abstract as required. In addition, amended claims are presented herewith.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings are discussed beginning on page 4 of this paper.

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Amendments to the Claims are discussed on page 5 of this paper and are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.